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In re Application of: Scott A. Musman	```)	RECEIVED
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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR USING AGENT-BASED DISTRIBUTED CASE BASED REASONING TO MANAGE A COMPUTER NETWORK	E-)	RECEIVED
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Sir:

Washington, D.C. 20231

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, which the Examiner may deem relevant to the patentability of the above-identified application. One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

This information disclosure statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. Therefore, no certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is required.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner considers the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art."

If the Examiner applies the documents as "prior art" against any claims in the application and Applicant determines that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such document.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed document, should the document be applied against the RECEIVED claims of the present application. DEC.1 3 2002

Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby [echnology Center 2100] authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, CROUP 3600 including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1349. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR**

EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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Technology Center ATTY. DOCKET NO. Sheet 1 of 1 APPLICATION NO. FORM PTO-1449 U.S. DEPARTM 82088-0001 10/034,995 (Modified) PATENT AND TRADE INFORMATION DISCLOSURE **APPLICANTS** STATEMENT BY APPLICANT Scott A. MUSMAN GROUP (Use several sheets if necessary) **FILING DATE** RECEIVED January 3, 2002 DEC. 1 3 2002 **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS** Technology Center 2100 **FILING DATE EXAMINER PATENT** ISSUE INITIAL DATE **PATENTEE CLASS SUBCLASS APPROPRIATE** NUMBER 5,504,837 04/02/1996 **GRIFFETH** et al. 706 10 05/10/1993 5,805,775 09/08/1998 EBERMAN et al. 706 02/02/1996 11 10/19/1999 **NESSETT** et al. 05/29/1997 5,968,176 713 201 6,144,989 11/07/2000 HODJAT et al. 709 202 10/30/1998 04/03/2001 6,212,528 B1 BROPHY et al. 707 09/10/1999 103 6,226,273 B1 05/01/2001 BUSUIOC et al. 370 270 11/30/1994 6,260,059 B1 07/10/2001 UENO et al. 709 202 02/01/1999 FOREIGN PATENT OR PUBLISHED FOREIGN PATENT APPLICATION **DOCUMENT PUBLISHED ABSTRACT** NUMBER **SUBCLASS** DATE COUNTRY **CLASS** GROUP 3600 OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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